

REMARKS

Claims 1-8 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claim 1 is amended.

Applicants appreciate the Examiner indicating that claims 7 and 8 are allowed. For at least the reasons set forth below, Applicants respectfully submit that all claims are in condition for allowance.

I. The Claims Define Patentable Subject Matter

Claims 1-6 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,701,750 to Ray. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

The applied art does not teach, disclose or suggest a primary air flow blower that moves conditioned air from the primary airflow plenum chamber to the marking engine and a secondary air flow blower that moves conditioned air from the secondary air flow plenum chamber to the marking engine, as claimed in claim 1.

Instead, Ray discloses a zone demand controlled dual heat pump system for a domestic dwelling or commercial building 10. A closed chamber 24 includes evaporator coils located therein so that air from a return conduit 26 flows across the heat exchange coils. The evaporator unit 22 is provided with a plurality of air supply blowers 1-4 with respective conduits 28, 30, 32 and 34 in communication with the heat zones 1-4. Accordingly, each of the blowers 1-4 blows air from the closed chamber 24 through the conduits into one of the zones 1-4, for example, the primary zone 1 and the second zone 3.


Accordingly, the applied art does not disclose the features of the claimed invention. That is, the applied art does not disclose a primary air blower that moves conditioned air from the primary air flow chamber to the marking engine and a secondary air flow blower that moves conditioned air from the secondary air flow plenum chamber to the marking engine. Withdrawal of the rejection of the claims under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) is respectfully requested.

II. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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